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Production of the electrotechnical industry in the current year should reach that 1938 and according to the plan should show an increase of 50 percent over 1947. Planning production of such enormous size it was taken for granted, of course, that the completion of the plan possible only with an increased supply of materials, increased employment and increased supply of materials, increased employment and increased productivity of labor.

January reports indicated that completion would be difficult and despite the fact that the plan was slightly exceeded, the various individual associations that the plan was slightly exceeded, the various individual associations that the plan was slightly exceeded, the various individual associations that the plan was not plant and not only in January but for the first size months of 1948.

The difficulty of securing raw materials in the beginning caused work stoppage in the storage battery division. In teletechnical division, despite good results, the lack of certain indispensable items, (inductors, lines etc.), made it impossible to reach planned production.

Even in the electric light bulb division, which showed a steady increase, there were short periods of time in which there were shortages of raw material.

Gradually, however, the difficulties were resolved and the first half of 1948 came to a close showing the plan completed by 111.5 percent according to value for the plan to percent according to value for the plan completed by 111.5.

It should be stressed that the final result proved satisfactory for all the Associations subject to the Central Administration, as shown by the following figures: (percentage of plan for the first half of 1948)

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Percentage of Plan Fulfilled for First Half of 1948 115.6 Association of Electrical Machine Industry 111.5 Apparatus 111.1 Cables and Wires 110.9 Cells and Batteries 105.6 Electric Lamps 124.6 Teletechnical 103.0

The must admit that during the reporting period a marked improvement in supply of materials was noted, especially in the supply of articles which had been scarce. The supply of ball bearing\$, the shortage of which created great difficulties for the Association of Electric Machine was increased as was the supply of enamelded wire, both domestic and imported, and varnish, Kaolin, etc. In April of 1948, the Association of Electric Lamp Industry started to operate a new factory of electric light bulbs in Warran production has already helped in a great measure to relieve the shortage of electric light bulbs.

In the first half of 1948, the electrical industry began the manufacture of a number of new articles which had not been previously manufactured, such as, revolving soldering or welding apparatus, high-tension circuit breakers of original design and domestic manufacture, motors for electric gramophones, the superhederodyne "Pioneer", a new type of radio receiver was perfected.

In connection with the opening of the Exhibit of the Regained Territories, mention should be made of the fact that their share in the production of the electrotechnical industry in 1948 will be 11 percent of the total production of the industry as compared to 7.6 percent in time 1947. Production included items which are not being manufactured in other sections of the country, such as, electric meters and clocks, theater equipment, electric gramorhones and radio apparatus,

electric machines, batteries, etc. Twelve factories in the Regained

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Territories, (comprising five associations), today employ four thousand workers.

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